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Up-down plan for new NSL

And ethnic names OK now

MERGER MOVE FOR NSL

Victorian State League club Fawkner and neighboring Thomastown asked their members as we went to Press to approve an amalgamation which may take them into the enlarged National League next year.

At least eight other clubs are vying for the four Victorian vacancies in the 24-team, regionalised NSL — Croatia, Juventus, Ajax, Sunshine-George Cross, Croydon, Morell Falcons, Northcote City and Polonia.

Fawkner and Second Division club Thomastown both are supported by the Italian Community of the northern suburbs. NSL officials have urged clubs with similar identities to strengthen their NSL claims by amalgamating.

It was proposed that Fawkner's ground, Smith Reserve in Jukes Road, would be used for senior games, and Thomastown's ground in Partridge Street would be used for the 15 junior teams run by the two clubs.

Thomastown, coached by former Heidelberg-Alexander and Footscray JUST star Jim Krikke, has been promoted five times in the past 12 years and is one of the most strongly-supported teams in the 56-club Metropolitan League.

Fawkner, only one point outside the top four in its first State League season, is coached by former JUST boss Cedric Cirkovic and boasts former NSL stars Jim Kondaros, Joe Palinkas, Andy Bozikas and Bruno Cozzella, as well as star striker Ian Tuffield.

Mr Iacobucci predicted that NSL games between Fawkner-Thomastown and Juventus, which also is expected to be promoted, would draw up to 9000 people. — LAURIE SCHWAB



Two more heads on the block



Manfred Schaefer and Jim Tansey are the latest to put their heads on the chopping block as NSL coaches — Schaefer with Olympic and Tansey with Heidelberg. TOP: Schaefer, as St George coach in 1977, welcoming guest player Charlie George (left) from England. ABOVE: Tansey (left) as captain of Victoria, greeting Velimir Zajac before a game against Dinamo Zagreb. More on pages 2-3.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Automatic promotion and relegation for Victorian and NSW clubs will apply in the enlarged and regionalised National League from next season.

And the ASF has made it legitimate for clubs to use traditional ethnic names in conjunction with their district names, because the reason for increasing the size of the NSL is to cash in on the Croatian/Maltese, Italian and perhaps Polish communities.

Enlargement of the NSL from 16 to 24 teams was given the green light by the Australian Soccer Federation last Saturday.

It is almost certain that Juventus (Vic), Croatia (Vic), Malta Eagles, Sydney

Croatia, and Blacktown City will be among the new clubs admitted to the NSL.

The promotion-relegation formula was suggested by the Victorian Soccer Federation, and adopted by the NSL and the ASF.

Here's how it will work:

- The team that finishes last among the eight Victorian clubs in the 12-team southern region will be relegated and replaced by the Victorian State League champion of that year. The same applies to NSW clubs in the northern region.

- Before it is promoted, the State League champion has to meet certain standards in relegation to ground facilities, if necessary.

- If it can't meet these standards, promotion will be offered to the State League runner-up.

- If the runner-up doesn't meet the standards either, then the last-placed Victorian (or NSW) NSL team is not relegated.

- In the southern region, a team from Adelaide or Brisbane finishes in last place, it will be relegated along with the least successful Victorian team, and replaced by the champion team from within its State — provided that team (or the runner-up) meets the criteria.

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Wollongong may go Italian

Wollongong to go Italian? That's the tip up Illawarra way and if it's correct you can expect to see a stronger, better-supported Wollongong in the 1984 NSL.

Wollongong may be on the threshold of clinching a huge, three-year sponsorship deal with Italian interests, which would place the club on the firmest financial footing it has enjoyed since joining the NSL for the 1981 season.

Recent rumors suggested that Wollongong was about to fold due to a serious cash flow problem but chairman, Laurie Kelly, speaker of the NSW Legislative Assembly, says: "We'll be there when the whips are cracking. No doubt about that."

Kelly says that Wollongong is almost certain to use Wollongong Showgrounds as its home base next season. The club moved to Ziems Park earlier this year, a bad move according to Kelly.

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

"Our strong ethnic support in the south of Wollongong wouldn't travel to Ziems Park in the north, mainly because of a transport problem. You could get directly to the Showgrounds by public transport but not to Ziems Park," said Kelly.

Wollongong's move to Ziems Park was part of its sponsorship deal with the Corrimal Leagues but Wollongong hasn't received its monthly sponsorship cheque since March this year.

That hasn't helped Wollongong's cash flow problem, exaggerated by match postponements and inclement weather. Earlier this season, Wollongong went through a nine-week stretch with just one home game from which to raise revenue.

Just over \$40,000 has been paid out so far in wages, while Wollongong has incurred expenses in excess of \$150,000 this year. Kelly is sticking by his claim that all players eventually will be paid fully.

The local media was at a club luncheon last week and a citizens' luncheon will be held on October 14, costing guests \$50 a head. Wollongong's annual ball, a successful revenue source in the past, will be held on October 28.

Already, tickets for the club's Qantas promotion, a huge raffle, are selling so well that another 6000 have had to be printed.

And Kelly welcomes the move to regionalise the NSL next year. He says that Wollongong will be greatly advantaged by concentrating on competition with Sydney clubs.

"Wollongong has been competing with Sydney clubs for over 100 years. We've always been a part of the Sydney scene and we'd benefit from gaining continuity of support by playing in a league composed solely of NSW clubs. Supporters will follow us to Sydney, especially when we play Marconi and APIA-Leichhardt, because we've got a strong Italian community in Wollongong."

JUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA:15

VIVA ITALIA:14

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΝΕΑ ΣΕΛΙΣ:15

THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN



Thoughts at a funeral



• Harry Lakmaker

We buried Harry Lakmaker last week. Apart from family and friends and his club colleagues, a soccer who's who could have been compiled in the little chapel.

Arthur George was there and so were Stefan Kamez and Peter Sheean; quite a delegation from most clubs; Hakoah president Frank Lowy was one of the pallbearers; Mrs Bayutti and son Paul were among the mourners. And many, many others, including the Sydney City team.

My wife and I attended the brief, dignified, unadorned Jewish ceremony. I went back to 1951 when I first met him.

His club, Hollandia and mine, Ferencvaros, were in trouble; we were asked to show cause why our "foreign club names" should not be changed, Australianised. So, as two club secretaries, we got together, in my tiny rented room at Randwick, to work out some strategy.

The strategy was to be simple: migrant clubs based on Dutch and Hungarian players, officials and spectators should not be compelled to appear something which they are not. We toasted this brilliant philosophical concept with some brandy.

Next day we had to appear in front of the NSW Association Executive, meeting in a rented hall in Grosvenor Street, in the city.

Harry was nervous; his club wouldn't accept a name change without a fight. Mine wouldn't either. I told him; our factotum, nominally secretary general but in effect the heart and soul of Ferencvaros, Arpad Tuson nodded gravely.

Then we were called in... for Ferencvaros first, before H for Hollandia.

Arpad, with his limited English, made me the spokesman. "You tell them it's not on," he whispered to me. "Sure," I said.

But the argument was short; actually, there was none.

Bill Orr, then the omnipotent secretary of the Association, addressed us. It had been decided, he said, in the interest of Australian soccer, to drop foreign club names for ever.

"We have found two new names," he said, "Europe and Sydney Austral. Which one would you prefer?"

"Gentlemen," I began my prepared oratory. "We feel . . ."

"Which of the two names do you want?" he repeated sternly.

"We would much prefer to keep . . ."

"Maybe you don't grasp it. Do you wish to continue in the Metropolitan League?"

"We do."

"Then you must change your name. Now. You can pick one or the other name, voluntarily."

Tuson and I had a brief, whispered dialogue; the ultimatum had to be met. Ethnicity wasn't in vogue yet; we weren't even ethnic, just migrants, at best. I said, "I choose ours."

"We'll call it 'St George,'" I said.

"Thank you for coming," he said. "When you go out, please send in those other blokes from the corridor."

We slunk out; even Von Paulus' troops were allowed to surround with more dignity at Stalingrad.

Harry stood up. "What happened?" he asked, agitated.

"We chose a club name for you," said. "Congratulations, you're Sydney Austral."

"What does that name mean?" he gasped.

"Meant? Is it supposed to mean anything? They want you inside now."

It was some 32 years ago...

Europe later became Budapest, then Budapest-South Sydney, then Budapest-St George, then St George; Sydney Austral has disbanded and vanished.

Arpad Tuson is long gone, now Harry Lakmaker is also gone. At times one feels Australian soccer is going, too.

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MORTON, DOCHERTY OUT;**Another victim
of intrigue syndrome**

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Ken Morton

Ken Morton, the latest to fall off the coaching merry-go-round, remains optimistic in adversity. "I'm down a bit, but I've got to get my head up. Better coaches than I have had the sack," he said at the Geelong home of Steve Stacey, who had been his assistant at Heidelberg-Alexander.

"I just hope that the players and everyone else get behind Sam Gouliopoulos (Heidelberg) in the final weeks of the season. He's a terrific guy and if all the other directors put as much unselfish work as Sam does, Heidelberg would be much better off."

Morton, 36, said he and another prominent NSL coach probably would take joint charge of a club next season. He would not elaborate.

Meanwhile, Morton will return to his home in Hobart, where he was player-coach of Rapid Wrest Point. His parents arrived in Hobart from England recently, for a holiday.

Heidelberg's problems date back to last season, and all are related to a peculiar intrigue syndrome which is about as logical as sex worship.

First there was the matter of Chilean midfielder Juan Toro. The then coach, Len McKendry, wouldn't give Toro a regular place in the team. This was interpreted by one vociferous popular fan as proof that McKendry wanted only English and Scottish players. Morton risked the same charge every time Toro wasn't in the team.

Late last year, McKendry and Heidelberg parted company. McKendry became coach of Ajax, and Ajax thrashed Heidelberg in the 1983 Ampol Cup final. Intrigue, intrigue, said the fans. Players had taken a dive!

Consequently, Jamie Paton, John Yzedoorn, and Ken Taylor — by varying degrees identified by the fans to be "McKendry men" — were sold. Yzedoorn went to Hellas, and both Taylor and Paton to J.U.S.T. Paton has scored nine goals for his new club!

The intrigue syndrome also struck down goalkeeper Jeff Oliver not long after Hellas, now coached by McKendry, had beaten Heidelberg at Heidelberg.

Morton joined Heidelberg from Wollongong, where he had built a team from scratch, and quickly recruited Ian McKie from West Adelaide and John Spanos from Sydney City.

His idea was to encourage a more adventurous style of soccer, with the emphasis on getting forward as quickly and as often as possible.

But with Gary Cole out injured for 15 matches, Heidelberg had no recognised strikers to speak of.

And while Heidelberg's adventurous soccer drew praise interstate for its added excitement, it failed to catch on. It proved to be unwise. When Morton departed, Heidelberg was one of only two clubs in the NSL not to have won away from home.

"The team did not play to its full potential, and I've got to carry the can for that," Morton said.

"But we also had a lot of bad luck along the way."

Morton added that while Heidelberg had no recognised strikers during Cole's absence, the midfielders weren't getting their share of goals either.

"When we started creating the chances again, our defenders, having become frustrated in previous weeks, started making silly mistakes," he said.

"My message to the players now is that if they have any pride in themselves, they must knuckle down and give the club a lot of self-discipline for the rest of the season, to get them-

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TOP LEFT: Jim Tansey (left) against Chris Lawler in a game between Australia and Bobby Charlton's All-Stars in 1977. TOP RIGHT: Tansey with the 1976 Victorian Rothmans Medal. MIDDLE RIGHT: On crutches after one of two serious injuries. ABOVE: As winner of the 1976 Bill Fleming Medal, with colleagues, from left: Chris Bambridge (referee of year), Cedo Cirkovic (coach of year) and Arthur Xanthopoulos (best under 21 player).

'TANZ'

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Jim Tansey laughs off suggestions that he has inherited Ken Morton's problems and supporter and committee pressure to influence team selection.

"Look, if a few people who never seem to be happy unless they're causing trouble, start to put pressure on me, I'll simply become just a player again," said the newly appointed player-coach of Heidelberg United.

"I've already been told that such a player won't play alongside another player and this player doesn't like that player. It's incredible what goes on you know, but I haven't got any time for all that sort of rubbish."

"I'll be asking the lads to show a bit of character and determination out there on the park. I've only got a couple of months in charge and I hope that they can pick their heads up and start fighting a bit harder. They're not just playing for me. They're playing for the club and for their own self pride."

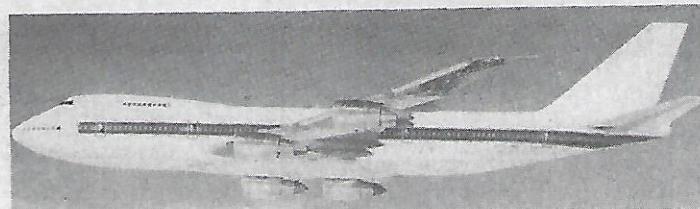
Tansey says that younger players like Scott Patterson and Micky Valentine have to make up their minds whether or not they "want to go back to being big fish in a little pond."

Patterson and Valentine both joined Heidelberg from Box Hill, now the Victorian State League. They are talented youngsters who only will achieve their potential by applying themselves at training and during matches. Tansey has a high regard for their ability.

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"Once things started going bad for the side this year, the younger lads didn't have the experience to put things right. Then the more experienced lads became affected and they struggled too," said Tansey.

"Jeff Olver's back in goal because we need his experience there. Spiro (Kardamitis) is a great lad and he works damn hard but he's only 18 and his time will come."

Tansey signed a new contract with Heidelberg early this year. It expires at the end of the season and has a maximum transfer fee clause of \$5,000.

His fortunes this year highlight the extreme highs and lows players can experience. Tansey was transfer listed by Heidelberg late last year and less than nine months later he finds himself coaching the club. He's only taken on the job at the end of the season and it is likely he will be retained for next year; he'll be Heidelberg's fourth coach in a year, after Len McKendry, Ken Morton and Tansey.

No to Ajax

When Tansey was transferred by Heidelberg last November he was approached by Green Gully and sounded out over that club's coaching job. Tansey however, reasoned that he had years ahead of him as a coach and a far shorter time left as a player. He's always enjoyed his game and he was determined to show everyone that he could come back after major surgery to reconstruct a badly injured knee. And he's proved his point, albeit after another serious setback — a broken arm — incurred earlier this year.

Tansey still is one of the finest left backs in Australian soccer. He made 42 appearances for the Australian national team, 20 in full internationals, over a five year period. He was proclaimed the greatest player in Victorian soccer in 1976 by winning the Rothmans Medal and Bill Fleming Medal.

He came to Australia in the 1970's from his native England, to join Slavia, then in the Victorian State League. In 1977 he joined Melbourne United, the year the National League was formed so he's only had two clubs in 10 years, a rarity at the highest level of Australian soccer.

He'd never been plagued by injury until damaging ankle ligaments playing against England in England in 1980, during the Soceroos' world tour.

"Brendan Batson caught me in a tackle and I did my ligaments. In January, 1981, I played against Dinamo Zagreb and the next night I came on for Heidelberg in a friendly against J.U.S.T. I went into a tackle and left my leg hanging and my knee went. I was out for five or six weeks and when I came back I injured my knee again, mainly because against Adelaide City, I'd torn cruciate and medial ligaments and needed to have my knee reconstructed," said Tansey.

In all, he was off the playing scene for about 10 months, a lonely period for him. He wasn't even able to train for most of that time and he really missed his game. It was during this break that he started to think about coaching.

Now he finds himself at the helm of a major Australian club. If Heidelberg can reverse the trend of recent results, Tansey will have played a major part. Knowing Tansey, he'll give it all he's got. He's that kind of man.

He's got two big things going for him — honesty and commitment.



By ANDREW DETTRE

Within a week of one another, two NSL coaches, Simon Kistemaker of Lions and Tommy Docherty of Olympic announced that they would return to Europe.

Although direct quotes in the Press are not always entirely reliable, mainly due to the large number of untrained part-time "reporters" and stringers, the gist of the announcements was this: Australian soccer was a disappointment to this Dutch and this Scottish coach.

And that's not entirely surprising: it's a bit of a disappointment also for many others — fans, players, officials and journalists too.

Also, we have learned to live with this disappointment. We are sort of resigned to our fate, accepting the many setbacks and rejoicing even at the modicum of joys the game provides.

What Kistemaker and Docherty have said or have meant to say was that Australian soccer — pro soccer that is, not to be confused with the joyous, uninhibited romp of tens of thousands of juniors — is small time and never will be big time.

Now both maestros feel that they must return to the hub of soccer, Europe — Kistemaker to Belgium, Docherty maybe to Norway — where the game is part of the way of life.

If soccer were to be the solitary reason for my living in this country, I would join them. Indeed, so would tens of thousands of others; you'd need to



TOP LEFT: Manfred Schaefer with the Bisleri trophy after St George Budapest had won the 1971 NSW grand final against Western Suburbs. **TOP RIGHT:** At Middle Park in 1978, as a candidate for the Hellas coaching job, with the then president, Sam Papavas (rear) and Raleasic, coach of visiting Marconi. **ABOVE LEFT:** Beating Derek Dougan in Australia's 1-0 victory over Wolves in 1972. **MIDDLE RIGHT:** Coaching kids in Sydney. **ABOVE RIGHT:** Marking West Germany's Gerd Mueller (right) in the 1974 World Cup final.

Big M: the iron milkman

If Olympic players perform the way their newly-appointed coach Manfred Schaefer did during his distinguished club and international career, then the rest of the NSL had better watch out! Olympic will hit and hit hard!

Schaefer, a former "Soccer Action" columnist, made 72 appearances for Australia between 1967 and 1974, scoring one goal. He played in 49 full internationals.

A slippery pitch at the Cong Hoa stadium in Saigon in 1967 gave Schaefer the chance to make his first appearance for Australia. Victoria's Frank Mitic of Footscray J.U.S.T. played at right half in that game against New Zealand but after a while it was evident that Mitic could not handle the wet conditions. So coach Joe Vlastas sent Schaefer into the fray.

But like a true Schaefer he remained capable of handling the conditions — and he did. He played a memorable match in the Saigon sun and remained a permanent fixture in the Australian team until he retired after the 1974 World Cup finals.

Rugged and indestructible, Schaefer was known as the "Iron Man" to the Australian public but when he played in Germany in the

book all the ships of the Cunard Line to ferry us to Europe or South America.

But we aren't going. I have not yet met anybody who has come to live in Australia because of its thriving soccer culture.

I would probably consider leaving if the country was turned into a military dictatorship, if it became a playground of some maniacs like Amia Castro or Marcos.

The mere fact that our star players have faulty ball control may sadden me but won't induce me to leave.

Of course, Kistemaker and Docherty are soccer coaches who came here to earn their living from scratch to be brutally frank, carpenters, gardeners, descending to mix it with the colonials for a while.

And when the circumstances have soured for them, they have decided to do the only logical pattern — leave.

So have many others before them in their profession: Jim Kelly, Joe Vlastas, Tiko Jelavic, Brian Green, Jimmy Shoulder (who later came back again) and Rudi Gutendorf.

Soccer lured them here — and then back to Europe. Kistemaker and Docherty will only follow the pattern.

What did hurt many people in the game was the prognosis by Kistemaker and Docherty that soccer would never be a national sport here.

And it won't, either. Kistemaker and Docherty feel free to express such views, even with their limited knowledge of the terrain. Others who know the conditions much more intimately would rather go to a torture chamber than admit to such heresy.

Olympic self-destructs once more



• Kistemaker

actions, almost through some biological manoeuvre.

Of course, The Doc must have felt a bit special; after all, with a background that included Chelsea, Sporting Lisbon, Manchester United and Scotland, it seemed reasonable to assume that this challenge in Sydney would be met easily and triumphantly.

What the Doc might not have known was that Olympic, as its predecessor, has a brilliantly engineered self-destruct mechanism which goes off occasionally.

If it didn't — if, for instance, they could import not coaches but the entire management team of Brisbane Lions from across the border — they would be Australia's most successful, richest and most professional club.

But they aren't — and one must question if they ever will, still chasing their first success on the field after 22 frustrating years, still dreaming of that elusive 10,000 average crowd and forever wondering why, despite their numbers and professed love of the game, they appear condemned to suffer at the hands of minnows.

Now Manfred Schaefer, with frightening optimism, probably will announce that he, at long last, will fulfil all the hopes and aspirations of the long suffering fans and make Olympic the true giant — and not just a potential one — of Australian soccer.

I certainly wish him well, so long as he realises that the odds are heavily stacked against him.

\$6000 PAY-OUT FOR 'RELEASE'

Tommy Docherty's departure from the coaching helm at Sydney Olympic last week enhanced our soccer jargon. Docherty wasn't sacked, didn't resign, didn't merely part company with Olympic, but according to club president Jim Petinellis, the flamboyant Scot was "released".

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

IN FOCUS



by PETER SCOTT

Not exactly the most flattering choice of adjectives, but appropriate in the light of recent events which suggested that Docherty perhaps felt trapped by a handful of idiotic supporters which the Greek-sponsored club hopes to banish. Olympic will display pictures of the alleged miscreants around its home ground, in an attempt to have them recognised at the gates and barred from entry.

Docherty was reputed to be earning close to \$1,000 a week with Olympic and it has been rumored that he received about \$6,000 in compensation for the early end to his contract which was due to expire later this year.

Docherty said that he and the Olympic players were spat on and had fruit thrown at them after losing 3-0 at home to Brisbane City two weeks ago.

"It only is about 150 or 200 madmen who cause the trouble," said Docherty.

Apparently, some Olympic fans upset at Docherty for dumping the Greek import in favor of Scottish import Steve Paterson.

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Sydney Olympic has had 11 coaches since the formation of the National League in 1977:

1977 — Kaz Kulcs, Bruce Stowell
1978 — Tom Anderson, George Gibson, Joe Marston, John Xipolitas
1980 — Jim Adam
1981 — Tommy Docherty
1982 — Doug Collins, Ljubo Gajkovic
1983 — Tommy Docherty, Manfred Schaefer...

The Docherty era in Australian soccer has drawn to its almost inevitable end. All that is left is stock-taking.

Starting at the end, one must say that neither the coach nor his club has come out of this colorful episode with enhanced reputations.

Docherty displayed a standard of naivete almost mind-boggling in its dimensions, in his handling of the volatile Greek community of Sydney.

With his incessant and totally self-confident predictions of premiership glory for Sydney Olympic he developed the fans' expectations to a level which was almost impossible to live up to.

When the inevitable moment of reality arrived, the let down could not pass without some sort of a ruckus.

Unnecessarily, in the eyes of this club, it is magnified — and always has been in the past — as a badge — by an element among supporters which continues to be a blot on the reputation and community standing of a club which has the potential to be the greatest power in Australian soccer.

Tommy let the genie out of the bottle and when the crunch came he was unable to stuff it back in.

One of the main benefits many of us perceived in Docherty's arrival on these shores was the expected public relations bonanza from the presence of such a well-known personality.

For a while this was true, but it all went terribly wrong.

An ever-increasing torrent of denigration towards other coaches and clubs appeared in the Press and on the airways, attributed to Docherty, engendering ill-feelings by members of the media, fellow coaches and even players of opposing clubs.

In the latter instance Docherty's comments certainly contributed to some of his team's problems on the field and some unexpected losses.

And what now? Reading his parting shots last week, it seems likely that the "Doc" will join the already long list of Aussie bashers to leave the UK.

If I am wrong in this prediction, and I fervently hope I will be, then my apologies.

But, if I'm right, then we had better prepare ourselves for some suitably colorful repartee from the irrepressible Scot.

God knows, we can do with criticism and suggestions for the improvement of Australian soccer, but only when it's constructive.

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KURINGAI CRUSHES MANLY

Three goals in the opening 13 minutes set the scene for the biggest win of the season by Kuringai. Clive Eaton, Kuringai's hat-trick hero, opened his tally after only three minutes, then added goals in the 8th and 44th minutes to set the stage for this big win.

Kuringai now not only claims the championship of North Sydney for 1983, but also, with some luck and positive play, the right to play Melita, Blacktown and Croatia for the NSW State League championship.

Kuringai is in fourth spot with two goal better difference.

However, the Sharks, one goal winners over Yugal, have an easier passage to the end. With Polonia on its path to the top four, Sutherland is bound not to let points slip while Kuringai still has two hard matches and Avala and Blacktown could prove formidable opponents.

Avala, after its win over Bankstown, still in with the slimmest of chances to finish above Kuringai and Sutherland. With that in mind it will give its best shot against its arch rivals.

Croatia and Melita continue to battle for the minor Premiership with vigour. Croatia put six past Barker while Currie conceded three against Melita. Croatia still is a point ahead but also has a four goal better difference than its rival from Granville.

Melita will hope for a Yugal win against Croatia, just as the "dark blues" did in the first round of the Premiership, but odds are heavily against it happening and Croatia look set for another trophy.

At the bottom of the league, Bankstown and Auburn have had their share of bad luck. Both claimed that their sides could have done far better over the weekend as you'll see from our game reports. Bankstown lost by a goal to remain last, while Auburn missed a penalty then had its captain sent off before succumbing to Canterbury.

So the two sides are set for the "Grand Final" in the bottom-of-the-table in the last round on September 18. Auburn will need just a point to stay afloat.

Canterbury 3

Auburn 0

Scorer: Thiemann 66'. Thiemann 66'.



NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

Leek, Brockbank, Regan (Davidson 80'), McKeen (Williamson 85'), Eato.

CANTERBURY: P. Philipou, Antoniou, Laios, Hantzi, Palmer, Andrew, Liang, Vassiliou, Nabbie, Jones, Steven (Van Helden 65'), Theodorakopoulos, Anagnostopoulos (Philippou 87) **Batterfield (Thamnides 46').**

AUBURN: Bourne, Kelly (Baldwin 43'), Progromela (Jones 56'), Plainic, Johnson, Allen, Kilkeely (sent off 65'), O'Gleary, Kinsey, Martina, Carney.

Canterbury, the most inconsistent side in State League, managed to win by three goals but much of the thanks for its success must go to luckless Auberon.

After missing a couple of easy scoring opportunities during the first period, Auburn was given the best chance in the 30th minute when Kinsley was brought down inside the area. However Quigley hit the crossbar and out went the last of its golden chances.

Earlier on Carney missed following a good pass by Kelly then Martinez shot over the bar from right in front after a not-one-two with Carney.

Philipou made a good save from Baldwin in the 44th minute then one minute into the second half it was Carney's turn to bash the ball over the bar from metres away but was put away by Roy Jones.

With half an hour remaining, Van Helden's poor throw lead to a goal by Berry. McKegan got the ball before Williamson to race into the penalty area but was brought down by Williamson and Berry converted from the resultant penalty kick.

McKegan made it 6-1 then Brockbank split Manly's defence to make it 7-1 before Peter Falconer pulled another goal back for Manly.

With only 10 players on the park it was a foregone conclusion and goals by Theodorakopoulos and Anagnostopoulos completed Canterbury's solid win.

Kuringai 7 Manly 2

Scorer: Eato 3'; 8'; 43'; Leek 13'; Berry pen 60'; McKeen 72'; Brockbank 83' (K), R. Jones 48'; P. Falconer 88' (M).

KURINGAI: Curtis, Keaveny, Berry, Burton, Robertson, Knight.

MELITA: Giffen, Kennedy, King, Vaughn, Beck, Parker, Brown, Augustino, Silvana, Blackburn, York.

AVALA: Barton, Lembray, McKenna, Barton, Vujnovic, Radjević, Djordjević, Muniz, Fontane (off Rodriguez), Brown, De Silva (off Tasic).

Avala retained its slim chance of getting into the top four after defeating Banksy by the narrowest of margins but its play was far from satisfying.

Had it not been for some brave goalkeeping by Peter Ahrens, Bankstown's fate could have been different.

At the goal came after some poor defensive blunders.

The owners came after 27 minutes when Giffen misjudged a cross and Mark Barton was on hand to head home.

Ahrens, who made many good saves was on hand to make yet another one in the 50th minute from his own player — Barton — but could only parry the ball to the feet of Blackburn who scored.

Ten minutes later it was Vaughn who lost possession close to his own line and Rodr-



Terry, Schumann, Dafforn, Casimir, Harrington, Webber, Beggs, Groome, Clinch.

YUGAL: Currie (Smith 46'), Goran, Esmares, McIntosh, Clarke, Phair, Jevic (Milivojevic 76'), Turukubis, Baumgartner, Zivkovic, Tenovski.

Sutherland was never extended against Yugal despite its narrow 1-0 victory. A goal by Beggs in the 44th minute was enough to sink the "dark blues" but for some close shaves, Yugal could have come off far worse for wear.

Shane Clinch hit the post early, then Cashman hit the rebound over the bar from close range. Peter Beggs could have scored another had he not run over the ball after good work by Nigel Groome.

Despite Sutherland's win it now finds itself in fifth spot since Kuringai's goal difference is plus-10 and Sutherland's plus-8 with both sides locked on 26 points.

The Sharks must now regret the loss of a point against Polonia in the 30th minute as they side led 1-0 against Polonia till the last minute only to lose the point after a late goal beat Haynes.

After leading here for the entire second half by 1-0 Sutherland players must have felt uneasy. It is for that reason that coach Johnny Watkiss hopes to have his side in a shooting mood when it meets Polonia again.

For a brief period at the start of the second half, Manly might have entertained the idea of a comeback when Peter Falconer sent Smith down the left flank and was put away by Roy Jones.

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With so much at stake in this match it was inconceivable to see Manly perform as badly as they did. However, all credit to the winners who now stand a real chance of reaching the top four at the end of 26 rounds.

Sutherland's 1-0 win over Polonia in the 30th minute was the highlight of the day.

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Curovic
triumphs,
Liddell
battles



Ricky Rosso

Brisb City 0
Foots JUST 1

Venue: Spencer Park.
Crowd: About 2200.

Scorer: Paton 10th.

Caution: BC — Liddell (73rd); JUST — Kyriakoulos (43rd); McDowell (49th), Taylor (57th).

Referee: Bill Monteverde 7.
BRISB. CITY: Wishart 7,
Caird 6, Liddell 9, Wilkinson 8,
Pimbblett 6, Williamson 7
(Fabio 62nd), Fabrizi 8, Hamiton 8, Bromfield 7, Glocnner 6.

FOOTS. JUST — Boland 8,
McDowell 8, Purdie 6, Kyriakoulos 7, Tuttill 8, Belic 7,
Taylor 8, Carroll 9, Paton 8,
O'Donnell 7, Curovic 9.

Brisbane City coach paid
J.U.S.T.'s Suli Curovic the
highest compliment possible
by substituting Billy Williamson.
JUST coach Bobby McLachlan said after his
team won 1-0 at Spencer Park last weekend.

"Williamson was a great
player in Scotland and for Hermiston to take him off highlights what a great game Sul had in taking him out of the game," McLachlan said.

Williamson was playing



J.U.S.T.'s Joe Carroll (centre) explodes past Billy Wilkinson of Brisbane City. Bobby Hamilton is in the background. Picture: CARLOS PICASSO

quite competently when Hermiston opted to take him off 17 minutes into the second half and bring on young striker Angelo Falco.

Confusion arose over the substitution, with Bromfield first walking to the sideline, to the boos of the City supporters. Hermiston spoke to Bromfield, whose number was originally held up, then a shout down the sideline saw Williamson's number go up instead.

The Scot stormed off the field and into the dressing room scarcely looking at the City bench.

There were others playing worse than Williamson but Hermiston had to do something to break the deadlock his team had played its way into.

After conceding a goal 10 minutes into the match, the home team rarely looked like equalising and lacked a player who could give the ball that final nudge into the net.

The in-form Jamie Paton showed how it was done to finish off what was a superb goal by Footscray J.U.S.T.

Joe Carroll, who only minutes earlier had put a 25m shot onto the crossbar, set up Paton by lobbing a beautiful ball into the goalmouth off a Ken Taylor throw-in.

Paton was being tightly marked by big Frank Liddell but the wee man showed all his class by moving quickly to the ball and hooking his shot around Liddell's legs and wide of City keeper Kim Wishart.

The goal heralded an exciting attacking period of play with both teams pressuring the other's goal.

J.U.S.T. held an edge, though, with Curovic and Taylor working doggedly in the midfield.

In fact it was one of the most inspired performances ever given by J.U.S.T. in Brisbane.

JUST swung the ball across the park, shot on sight and defended in numbers.

City, playing a 4-4-2, with Frank Pimbblett strangely pushed wide on the right flank, did not seem to have its

normal control in the centre of the park, although Luciano Fabrizi seems to be getting better with each game.

JUST could well have gone two ahead in the 17th minute when constant pressure forced George Caird to pass back to Wishart. His hurried attempt was a little astray and Wishart scrambled across his line to prevent the ball rolling into the net.

Leading 1-0 at the break, and Liddell looking like the only City player likely to score as he came forward repeatedly on set plays, McLachlan decided to rely on his defence for a result.

"We knew if we could stop Frank Liddell from scoring, then we were in sight. We decided to try to hang onto our lead but if City scored again we would go all out attack," McLachlan said.

And the defensive plan worked well. JUST soaked up everything City threw forward, and late in the game that amounted to everyone bar Caird, Perry and Wishart.

Bromfield broke through after 10 minutes of the second half but mistimed his shot and kneed it to Boland while the only other close call for JUST came late in the game.

Liddell rose at the far post to head back a Wilkinson cross. Bobby Hamilton and Glocnner rose with a tribe of JUST defenders and one or both managed to guide the ball towards the goal.

But the brilliant Boland, who had gone to the far post for the deep cross, managed to scramble back and punched the ball off the goal-line.

Brown sinks Hakoah, Thomson 'sent off'



SM-Hellas 2 SC-Hakoah 3

Goals: 1-0 Curovic 15th;
2-0 Egan 24th; 2-1 Murray
60th; 2-2 Watson 64th; 3-2
Brown 87th.

Venus Middle Park.

Crowd: About 6000.

Referee: Chris Bambridge 7.
Cautions: Kosmine (Hakoah),
Cant (Hakoah), Davidson (Hellas),
Gomes (Hakoah), Mullen (Hakoah),
Blair (Hakoah).

Sent off: Eddie Thomson
(Hakoah, coach).

SOUTH MELBOURNE HEL-

LAS: Laumets 6 — Russell 7,
Blair 9, Xanthopoulos 7, Yzen-
ford 6, Murphy 6, Buljevic 8 —
Brown 9, Egan 9.

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH:

Pezzano 7 — Mullen 8, Rob-
ertson 8, O'Connor 8, Cant 8 —
Watson 9, Souness 8, Kay 7, Gomez 7 — Kosmine 7,
Mullen 8.

Three Sundays ago, Doug

Brown scored two goals to

help sink his former club, Pre-
ston Makedonia, at Connor

Reserve. Last Sunday, he did

Makedonia a favor by beating

second-placed Hakoah 3-2

with a goal three minutes

from the end. Hellas' victory

over Makedonia six points

clear of Hakoah, which has

won the NSL championship

for the past three seasons.

It was an action-packed

match, during which Hakoah

fought back after being two

goals down, Hakoah coach

Eddie Thomson was ordered

off the bench by referee Chris

Bambridge who also flashed

the yellow card six times, and

Brown and Charlie Egan

waged a two-man blitzkrieg

against the visitors' defense.

Hakoah staged a magnifi-

cant fightback to draw level at 2-2 in the 64th minute after

having been two goals down at

half-time.

The defending champions

made two changes to their

team, bringing in Paul Kay

and Kevin Mullen for the sus-

pended Murray Barnes and

Jean-Paul Demarigny.

Hellas' missed midfielder

Oscar Crino who was seen by

Branko Buljevic who opened

the scoring in the 15th minute.

The move revolved around

striker Brown, who dominated

play in the first half with Buljevic and fellow forward

Charlie Egan.

Brown launched a powerful

shot from just inside the penalty

area, which goalkeeper Tony Pezzano deflected to his right. Buljevic closed in on the ball and struck it low into the

net.

While waiting for the restart

coach Thomson protested

from the bench over an in-

incident involving John Yzen-

ford, who had also flashed

the yellow card six times, and

Brown to leave the bench and

watch the rest of the match

from the terraces.



Laurie Schwab

Ian Souness, playing in mid-

field instead of at fullback,

tested Hakoah's goalkeeper Peter

Laumets with a powerful drive in

the 19th minute, but Hellas

increased its lead five minutes

later.

Brown ran onto a long pass

from Bobby Russell and swerved

a brilliant square pass behind

two defenders into the middle

of the penalty area, where Charlie Egan applied

the finishing touch.

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Branko Buljevic of Hellas gets in first, ahead of Hakoah's Jim Cant (right). At left is Ken Murphy. Picture LES SHORROCK

TWO DOWN, HONEYMAN TIES IT

WA-Hellas 2 Canberra 2

Scorers, Hellas: Brown 58,
Honeyman 83; Canberra:
Farina 45, Cole 57,
Hindmarsh Stadium.
Crowd 900.
Referee: M. Browning 8.

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS:
Sprull 7, Amey 8, Durn 7,
Hicks 7; Peppaglou 7; M.
Brennan 9; Doorne 8; Atalas
7; Heys 8; Brown 7; Stamatelopoulos 6 (Honeyman 45,
7).

CANBERRA: Hoszowski 7;
Young 7; Ambrosini 7; Welsh
7; Murray 7; T. Bryant 8; Stone
7; Cole 7; Farina 8; Bryant 7;
T. Brennan 7.

Ever-changing West Adelaide Hellas crawled from the brink of defeat by two goals, allowed another goal to slip from its grasp in much the same way it did against Newcastle some weeks back.

Hellas had dominated the first half, adjusting to the greasy conditions much better than their opponents.

With Brennan and Doorne tigerish in midfield and Brown and Heys effective in attack, Hellas pushed the Canberra defence hard.

Hosas was in good touch between the posts, denying Doorne who unleashed a thunderous 25-metre drive and plucking or thumping away high balls that rained into the box.

But while Canberra had struggled to contain Hellas in midfield and attack, its strong point was youth Socceroo Frank Farina.

Farina had a glorious chance to put Canberra one up

By
FRANK
PANGALLO

two minutes before the break when he broke clear and struck a low drive straight at Sprull. Farina had a second chance with the subsequent rebound but found himself off balance.

But Farina proved deadly a minute later. From a fine Bryant chip from the left, Farina beautifully flicked the heavy ball over Sprull's head.

West brought Honeyman on at the break in place of teenager Thomas Stamatelopoulos and once more the home side had the better of the exchanges.

But Canberra again proved deadly on the counter attack, this time through Duncan Cole who struck a superb curling left-footed drive from just inside the box that swung into the top right corner of the net.

Hellas coach Alan Vest swung big stopper Robbie Dunn into attack, a move that had Canberra's defence in a state of panic.

Only a minute after Cole's goal, Brown, who had played with vigor all day, rose high in the box to smash a powerful header past Hoszowski.

Hellas continued its thrusts in search of an equaliser. Canberra was locked in a desperate struggle to contain the forays.

Just as it looked like Canberra would absorb the punishment, Hellas got the breakthrough, albeit from a glaring offside move.

Dunn appeared to be well off the ball when he ran onto a long ball then passed back for Honeyman to strike a powerful 20-metre drive into the back of the net.

Hellas coach Alan Vest continues to pursue a youth policy

but in doing so faces the problem of finding an unsettled side almost each week.

Already this season Hellas has bloodied teenagers John Panagis, George Konstandopoulos, George Kondarios, John Papazoglou and the latest, Theo Stamatelopoulos.

Gone are the familiar faces of Ian McGregor, Neil McGahey (retired), Paul Wormaldy (transferred-listed) and custodian Martyn Crook who

has been relegated to the second team.

One suspects there has been pressure on Vest to field younger players and it is more than just coincidence that most have Greek backgrounds.

There's a view that such a policy may entice the fans back to Hindmarsh and bolster the club's Greek identity.

Whether such a direction succeeds is really in the lap of the Gods ... and the fickle supporters.

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**APIA 2
Marconi 0**

Alex Vesic

Scorers: Mariani pen 24', Bradley 42'.
St George Stadium.
Crowd: 5682 (double header)
Referee: Tony Boskovic 9.
Yellow cards: Carbone, APIA, Leichhardt.
Parks: 6, Crotty 7, Bertogna 6, Marconi 7, Butler 7, Gray 7, Morello 7, P. Tredinnick 7, Sharne 6.

MARCONI FAIRFIELD: James 7, Bosanic 7, Rizzotto - (Licata 28' - 5), McCullough 6, Henderson 7, Budini 5, Carbone 6, Sermanni 7, Brown 5, Jenkovics 6, Djordjevic 8.

APIA-Leichhardt subdued its arch-rival from Fairfield in a tense match at Barton Park to surge forward on the league table and signal a warning of times to come.

Marconi fell behind in the 24th minute to a penalty goal by its own son — Bertie Mariani. John Bradley was pulled down inside the penalty area by Ricky Budini, and the referee, Tony Boskovic, had no hesitation in awarding APIA the penalty.

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Katholos dominates but Jones wins it**Sydney Olympic 0****Newcastle 1**

St George Stadium.
Crowd: 3,500.
Referee: Peter Rampling 8.
Yellow cards: David Jones 7.

Scorer: David Jones 75'.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 7, Akoustas 7, Coady 7, (Patelis 68') Dakos 7, Herbert 6, Phillips 5, Katholos 8, Petikas 6, Soper 4, Koussas 6, Jennings 7.

NEWCASTLE KB UTD: Gosling 8, Kirby 6, H. Tredinnick 7, Watson 7, Burke 7, Sensaklis 7, Mountford 6, Lee 6, Lowe 8, Buckley 5 (Jones 70th).

David Jones was the hero of the KB side in its 1-0 victory over Sydney Olympic at Barton Park last Saturday.

With the scores locked at 0-0 and neither side able to penetrate, both coaches decided on a change. Sydney Olympic introduced Terry Patulis for Mike Coady, while David Jones replaced Ian Buckley for the visitors.

And while Olympic suffered the loss of Jennings up front (he was moved to full-back) and Patulis showed little for his side, it was

Mariani proves a point

arms of Bruce James to give APIA the lead.

It was sweet revenge for Mariani. He was told at the beginning of the season that he is not wanted by Marconi's new coach Doug Collins.

His general play was possibly his best to date for his new club and his enthusiasm rubbed off on the rest of his defence as they fought hard to keep Marconi at bay during the second period.

Bradley scored Marconi's second goal after 42 minutes. He was on hand to pick up a low cross from Paul Carter and glide it wide of James.

Marconi almost pulled one back on the stroke of half time when a free

kick by Tony Henderson was headed goalwards by Vic Bozanic. Bobby Parks, who came forward to intercept, had to go back and into the air to fingertip the ball past the post for a corner.

Parks made yet another save soon after the interval to keep his side well in front. This time it was from Tony Henderson who was well inside the box and looked set to score.

Marconi was best served by Henderson, Djordjevic and Sermanni while Licata, Brown and Budini had an off day. Marconi was unfortunate to lose Joe Rizzotto early due to injury and in a reshuffled side Djordjevic went into the backline to keep an eye on Sharne while Licata went up front.

And while Djordjevic completely blocked out Sharne, Licata seldom posed a threat to APIA.

For the winners, Mariani and Parks were easily the best with Bradley and Bertogna close behind. Referee, Tony Boskovic was in complete control and left no doubt as to who is still the best referee in the land.

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Jones who steered his team to victory.

Jones was booked before taking his position on the left flank for encroaching on the park before being called on by the referee.

However, Jones was the man who had the last laugh as he collected a neat through ball by Grant Lee to steer it wide of Meier some five minutes later to clinch the three points for Newcastle.

Goal apart, Jones continued his fine work and almost had Meier beaten again close to the end. Bob Mountford, KB's top striker, whose heading in the area had given Newcastle many a point, was out of touch, missing an easy header towards the end of the match and one at the start of the game after a good burst of speed by David Lowe.

For Olympic it was a day of frustration. Peter Katholos and Graham Jennings had good games and so did much of Olympic's back-line. The side side of this Olympic team is that there is just no semblance of team play. Some brilliant individuals showed brilliant touches on occasions but it was far too little against this well drilled Newcastle outfit.

To add to the problems of Sydney Olympic it was

obvious to all and sundry that Olympic just does not have 90 minutes of strength at its disposal, showing distinct signs of tiredness in the latter part of the match.

The return of Mark Koussas and George Akoutas to the side was significant, with both having fair games.

Koussas in fact showed some neat touches and provided his team mates with two good chances, flicking the ball with his head to Patikas in the 65th, then to Katholos in the 68th minute, to provide Olympic with the best chances of the match.

Patikas was also on the receiving end from Koussas in the first half but miscued his shot from 10 metres.

For Newcastle, David Lowe was a constant menace up front, while Clint Gosling was in total command at the back of a very solid defence despite some strong wind throughout this match, it was obvious from the start that Newcastle was going to be hard to cope with.

The visitors' tackling and discipline were first class and they deserve their high position on the league ladder.

'JUVE' HOLDS OUT

**St George 1
Adel. City 1**

Scorer: Carter 83'. **Starter:** 86'. **Ground:** St George Stadium. **Crowd:** 5682 (double header). **Referee:** Doug Rennie 8. **Yellow cards:** Cole, Will, Kinnane.

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST: Fraser 7, Skeen 8, R. O'Shea 7, Petkovski 6, Ratcliffe 7, M. O'Shea 6, Stone 5, Wilkinson 5, Slater 6, Marton 7, J. O'Shea 8.

ADELAIDE CITY JUVEN-TUS: McNally 8, Cole 7, Dods 7, Banfield 7, Flounders 7, Molla 7, Blair 6, Carter 6, Mullan 6, Rankin 5, Villani 6. **Phil Cole** replaced by Shillabear 52.

St George had the visitors on the ropes during the opening period and twice hit the woodwork, but despite some territorial advantage during the opening stanza of the second half,

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Some of the stars of the Australian team that played in this year's World Youth Championship in Mexico, visited Hobart recently with the Australian Institute of Sport team which lost 0-1 to Southern Tasmania.

We spoke with some of those stars.

Anthony Franken

Were you surprised to be first choice goalkeeper in Mexico?

Yes it was. The boss said he hadn't decided on his keeper for Mexico and that in the warm-up games he was going to decide. Chris (Hummel) didn't have as good a game as he'd expected in the first warm-up and I trained better than him prior to the Mexico game so I got the nod.

Did the high altitude affect the movement of the ball and did this provide goalkeepers with added difficulty?

Oh yes, definitely. The ball picked up speed at the altitude and it went up and down and swerved a lot more. For instance our winger misjudged a lot of crosses, overhitting the ball due to the atmospheric conditions.

What were your most memorable experiences in Mexico?

There were two really. Playing in front of that huge crowd (in the Azteca), with my parents there, was one of the proudest moments of my life and winning against Scotland in the second game was tremendous.

What are your plans for the future?

I'd definitely like to play in the NSL next year and I'm wide open to offers.

Do you aspire to the senior national team goalkeeping position?

Salvo, Franken, Jones

By Walter Pless

My ultimate aim is, of course, the senior national team. Next year will be a big year for me, especially if I can break into the NSL and have a good season.

Marcelo Salvo

What did you think of the game against Hobart?

I thought it was pretty disappointing from our point of view. We can really play much better than we did. I've seen an improvement in some of the young Hobart players, especially our wingers, last year. I was quite impressed with the Tasmanian youth side that went to the national championships in Canberra. They played quite an interesting, skilful type of soccer.

What of your future?

This is my last year at the Institute. I had intended to play for Heidelberg this year but I was unaware of the transfer deadline that existed in Victoria so I had to stay at the Institute. At the moment, my plans are to make the most of the opportunities provided by the Institute and next year I'll just see what happens.

Were you disappointed about missing out on Mexico?

Yes. I wasn't expecting that but those things happen and

you just have to keep working harder.

How do you rate your current form?

At the moment, I'm having a few problems with injuries. Both ankles are a bit suspect and I've missed training and matches recently. I'm trying to cope with these injuries and trying not to make them worse while still giving as much as I can.

Roy Jones

What was the highlight for you in Mexico?

Playing in front of 110,000 was really my main highlight. And, getting a result, which was very important because it was the first game. Personally, I had a good game, which made it all that much better.

How disappointed were you at missing out on the quarter-finals?

Very disappointed. I've been saying to people that it was our worst tournament out of the four we've played so far and it was just a pity that not everybody performed.

How do our youth players compare to those of other countries?

We're definitely up with them. At this level you just have to look at players like David Lowe and Tommy McCullough and you can see we've definitely got the skill to match most youth teams in the world.

What are your plans?

I've just been speaking with clubs concerning my future and I'll certainly be going NSL next year and, more like likely, it'll be in Canberra.

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JUNIORS NEED LONGER SEASON

By JOHN van HOBOKEN, former president of Wilhelmina

I was pleased to see my letter re the proposed enlargement of the so-called National League printed in "Soccer Action". I am also more than pleased to see that in New South Wales there is a move to extend the State League to 20 clubs, which is therefore completely in line with my proposal to extend the State League in Victoria to 18 clubs by allowing the present National League clubs to rejoin the State League.

I have received many telephone calls from clubs who agree that the league season should be extended which also applies in particular to the Metropolitan League and junior competition.

The following is the draw for the Victorian Provisional Cups to be played on Sunday September 18 at 3 pm:

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE RESERVE CUP: Brunswick v Diamond Valley, Morwell v Clarinda v Seaford United, South Melbourne v Langwarrin Carlton v Hawksburn K.O. 1pm, Clarinda Kooyong v Yarraville, Macleod United v Berwick City, East Brunswick v Holland Park, Monbulk v Cranbourne K.O. 1pm.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE CUP: Uni of Melbourne v Altona United, Carlton v Springvale United, Nth Sunshine v Mordialloc Clarinda, Abbotsford v Bulleen, Cheltenham v Hollins Park, Macleod v Dandenong, Labor United v St Dandenong.

The following is the Amateur League cups draw for Sunday October 2 at 3pm.

AMATEUR LEAGUE RESERVE CUP: Latrobe Uni v St Parkmore, Waverley City v Endeavour Hills K.O. 1pm, Melbourne Uni v Chadstone, Nth Melbourne v Vermont K.O. 1pm, Postel Institute v Margrave, Ascot Vale City v Burwood, Balwyn Ipm, Macabbi Hakoah v Phillips United, West United v RMIT.

AMATEUR LEAGUE CUP: Balwyn City v Mulgrave, Nth Melbourne v Latrobe Uni, Vermont v St Parkmore, Bundoora v Melbourne Uni, Phillip UTD v Postel Institute, Epping Thistle v West United, Westall v Macabbi Hakoah, Epsom v Ascot Vale City.

Harry Lakemaker

With tragic suddenness Harry Lakemaker has left us and I can't help wondering if he will ever be adequately replaced on the Australian soccer scene.

Helped by a tolerant family, Harry has lived for soccer for several decades.

He was instrumental in the formation of the NSW federation, which ushered in a golden era for Australian soccer.

Later he was deeply involved in many capacities in the establishment of Sydney Hakoah as the most successful team ever seen in this country.

Finally, he was a guiding light and hard worker in the cause of the National Soccer League, as its treasurer until his sudden death.

Together with a few others, Harry was instrumental in saving Hakoah's participation in the NSW when its board of directors wanted to quit.

He continued to fight ceaselessly until his passing away, for the long term establishment of the principle of Hakoah's participation.

Although already a member of the Hakoah board of directors by invitation, he freely announced his intention to stand for a position as an elected director in 1984, so that he could serve on the board by right an not just on sufferance.

In fact, he was deeply involved, as chairman of the Hakoah Sydney City soccer supporters' club, in the formation of a ticket by likeminded persons for those elections.

Is Harry's loss irreparable for the cause of the Hakoah soccer?

It is hard to say, but his moderation while totally principled, counsel will be sadly missed by those who remain faithful to the original ideals of the Hakoah club.

Let us hope there will be enough people around to continue his struggle for the development and survival of our sport.

— PETER SCOTT

Tuffield replies

SIR — I reply to Mr John Van Hoboken's letter which appeared in "Soccer Action" on August 24.

While not in any way disputing that a lot of his points were valid and again in no way assuming that I know as much as Mr Van Hoboken in regard to soccer and its administration, I would like to make the following point.

If Mr Van Hoboken is going to write an article which he wants people to agree with, and he quotes facts and figures to back up his ideas then he should at least make an honest attempt to get the figures at least near correct.

I can answer for the other clubs mentioned, only for my club — Fawkner. Mr van Hoboken claims we attract 100 supporters for our home games and 50 for away games.

The figures I present are not, as Mr van Hoboken suggests, conjured from a crystal ball, but are pretty close to correct. Home games, depending on the opposition draw between \$60 to 2,500 fans. Away games, once again depending on the opposition and distance from Fawkner, between 200 to 1,200 fans.

JAN TUFFIELD, — on behalf of Fawkner soccer club players, committee and most of all, supporters.

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Northcote City v Box Hill, Sunshine George v Melbourn Croatia; Doveton v Kew Park Rangers; Sth Mel-

Nicola di Giandomenico, director of junior coaching for Valley Trident in Queensland, spent three years coaching Pescara in Italy.

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SOUTH OAKLEIGH

Victorian Third Division



South Oakleigh, top of the Victorian Third Division, from left:
Back row: Kotis Xanthopoulos (Coach), Con Kaikos, Billy Pa-
lamaros, Sam Crivari (captain), John Kennedy, Alec Baird, Jim

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Paul Lewis too fast for Fawkner

So Ajax had a slight hiccup last week on its way to clinching its third straight league title. Not to worry. The green and whites will maintain their one point lead over Croatia by accounting for Fawkner at Fawkner this Sunday.

Paul Lewis is too quick for the Fawkner defence and out wide. Bobby Toal probably will be confronted by Tony Schipano, and should come out on top. And Ajax is far stronger in midfield. Peter Boyle, Willie Vassallo and Jim Williams have a fine blend of skill, experience and aggression.

Imagine how Morell Falcons officials will feel when they watch their expensive outfit go down to

Albion Rovers at Selwyn Park on Saturday.

Falcons have been the major disappointment among State League clubs this season and the Latrobe Valley club is set for a major shake-up in playing staff before next season.

Meanwhile, Albion continues to leave Wilhelmina in its wake as it has assured itself of avoiding finishing in second last spot in the league.

Smallman hurt

GREEN GULLY AJAX 0 CROYDON 0 at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday.

GREEN GULLY AJAX — Denis 6 — Peter Lewis 6, Kremers 6, Short 7, Hogan 5 — Toel 6, Smallman 6 (in), George 5 (out), Paul Lewis 6, Lynch 6, Smallman 6. **CROYDON:** Kastner 7 — Rainey 5, Marley 5, Dobson 9, Hobson 7 — Bow 9, Rooney 5, Wade 6 — Irvine 7, Macleod 6, 1. Loughman 6. Coach: Ted Dilworth.

Green Gully Ajax player-coach David Smallman was taken to hospital after being kicked while attempting a brave, diving header early in the second half. The former Welsh international received stitches in two wounds to his face but was allowed to go home late on Sunday evening.

No doubt the pain of Smallman's injury wouldn't be lessened by this scoreless draw, which leaves the champion elect just one point in front of arch enemy Croatia. And Smallman's replacement, Kit Greenchan, only was on the field for a couple of minutes before blowing a gilt edged chance to break the deadlock. Greenchan ballooned his shot from five metres out with only Croydon goalie Lou Kastner to beat.

Classy Croydon stopper Ian Dobson



Victorian State League with CRAIG MACKENZIE

Coach Hugh Murney finally is being repaid for the faith he's shown in his players and two in particular — Kenny Smart and Mick D'Sylva — could worry the Morwell defence on Saturday.

South Melbourne Hellas, despite last weekend's meritorious draw with Polonia at

Polonia, surely won't get any joy from Saturday's Middle Park meeting with Melbourne City. A narrow win for the visitors that would finish the season with a better goal difference than title rival Ajax, so it has to keep up the pressure by winning and hoping that Ajax's slips up.

Juventus gets its chance to avenge its loss at Wembley Park earlier this season when it clashes with Box Hill at Olympic Park No. 2 on Sunday. I'm tipping a Juventus win. Despite my respect for the well drilled Hillmen's defence, players like Rob Cullen and Andrew Zima are at their best running at opponents and getting in behind opposing defences, a talent which may expose Box Hill at the back on Sunday.

Croydon will beat Ringwood Wilhelmina at Croydon Park on Sunday and secure its grip on fourth spot. Strikers Joe Sweeney and Peter Loughnan may be available after suspensions for being sent off. If so, Croydon coach Ted Dilworth

has major selection problems. Wembley seems certain to come back into the starting line-up, linking up with Guy MacLeod, but Peter Loughnan's return is not so certain. Steve Irving and Mark Brown did well against Ajax last weekend, which may force Peter Loughnan onto the substitutes bench.

Doveton takes on Polonia at Waratah Reserve on Saturday and the result is meaningless to both camps. Polonia's blown its top four chance as far as I'm concerned and Doveton can start thinking about building for next year. There's not much between these sides but I lean slightly toward the Doves. If coach Hammy McMechan can field

his strongest combination, the home side should get up.

SATURDAY

ALBION ROVERS v Morell Falcons at Selwyn Park, 3 pm.

S.M. Hellas v MELBOURNE CROATIA at Middle Park, 3 pm.

SUNDAY

DOVETON v Polonia at Waratah Reserve, 3 pm.

Fawkner v GREEN GULLY AJAX at Smith Reserve, 3 pm.

CROYDON v Ringwood Wilhelmina at Croydon Park, 3 pm.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS v Northcote at Chaplin Reserve, 3 pm.

JUVENTUS v Box Hill at Olympic Park No. 2, 3 pm.

Mick D'Sylva strikes in final minute

DOVETON 0 ALBION ROVERS 1 (D'Sylva 90th) at Waratah Reserve, Sunday

DOVETON: Keogh 7 — Watson 6, Geddy 8, Corke 8, Macleod 7 — Thurlow 6, Davies 6, Miller 6, M. Lennon 6, Stirling 6, Webster 7. Coach: Hammy McMechan.

ALBION ROVERS: Costello 9 — Gaines 6, Hennessey 8, Coyle 8, Stuart 6 — Ferrie 6, Reilly 8, A. Bennett 6, Douglas 5 (in). F. Macleod and H.T. 6 — S. D'Sylva 6, Smart 8. Coach: Hub Murney.

A penalty save from man-of-the-match Tom Costello, the Albion keeper, and a last minute winner from Micky D'Sylva were the features of this clash at Waratah Reserve.

Albion took the honors in the first half, despite Doveton's John Dowie blowing a chance to give his side a half time lead when his penalty attempt in the 44th minute was saved by a full length Costello dive, the Albion custodian tipping the ball onto the post and gathering the rebound.

Earlier, D'Sylva, Kenny Smart and Bennie Ferrie had missed chances to open the scoring. The second half was a different affair as the Doves converted aounding the Albion goal without result.

Twice, Doveton striker Ian Stirling had the ball in the back of the net, only to be denied by offside rulings and with 10 minutes left, Albion's half time replacement for Steven Douglas, defender Frank Macleod, appeared to have brought down Stirling in the area but Doveton pleas for a penalty went ignored.

In the 90th minute, Albion struck. Smart made a great run down the right and crossed low and hard. Sean Keogh got a touch to the ball but fell for D'Sylva who made no mistake from close range.



Lucky Polonia!

POLONIA 1 (Krysiński penalty 87th) SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Bekiaris 80th) at Raleigh Reserve, Sunday.

POLONIA: Dachs 7 — Lipiarski 6, Milewski 6, Smolarek 6 — Lekic 5, G. Capnik 6 (Hofmirek 7 in), A. Capnik 6, Petrow 6 — Marszalek 6, Krysiński 6. Coach: Leszek Dziełakowski.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Turidus 7 — Kaszas 7, Kellieff 7 — Tadik 6, Vassallo 7, Abraim 7, Kansellas 7, Postecoglou 8, Kambelakis 7 — Cummings 7, Bekiaris 7. Coach: Jim Armstrong.

Not only did the young Hellas side put up its best performance for some time, it should have won this game when striker Duncan Cummings broke through in the final minute but had his lob saved by Polonia youngster Adam Dachs.

Scores were locked at 1-1 when Cummings got clear and the former Hellas NSW star should have done more with his attempt to loft the ball over Dachs. Polonia looked good

in the first half but fell away in the second period, a now customary practice with the Polish sponsored outfit. Coach Leszek Dziełakowski was unable to make midfielder Peter Czapnik, out through suspension, while former Victorian state team midfielder, Joe Trot, was on the bench, along with Ron Horfiniak.

Hellas took the game right up to Polonia from the outset and seemed to have been rewarded for its attitude when it took the lead with just 10 minutes left. Cummings put Chris Bekiaris in the clear on the left of the area and the former Heidelberg Alexander Dachs slotted the ball past Cachs to make it 1-0. But Hellas' glory was short-lived — seven minutes to be precise.

With Angie Postecoglou filling in for Peter Vardaxis, who had been caught out of position, Hellas gave away a free in its left back area. Polonia's George Petrow took the free kick, sending the ball over to big Alex Marshall, whose header was handled on the line by Vardaxis. Tadik Krysiński converted from the penalty spot to give Polonia a point after an unimpressive display.

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Dutch star to Wilhelmina?

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 0 SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS 1 (Taylor penalty 82nd) at Jubilee Park, Sunday.

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA: Leo 8 — Hought 7 — Brooks 5, Brooks 7, Verners 7 — Bakker 5 (Cork 50th), D'Amato 6, Miller 6, Pena 75th — Tadik 6 — Stewart 6. Coach: Rudi van Altena.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS: Contini 6 — Richardson 6, O'Reilly 7, Scarf 6, Taylor 7, Stevens 7, Miller 6, 8 — Bennett 7, McCormick 6 (Campbell 67th) — Glider 6, Bain 8. Coach: Tommy Traynor.

Ringwood Wilhelmina is chasing the signature of a well known Dutch striker

and Wilhelmina secretary Hans Leckner will go to Holland in October to have talks with the player in question. However, Wilhelmina officials won't release the name of the player yet.

Should the striker join Wilhelmina, he'll be one of four top flight new signings for next season as the Dutch-supported club makes its most determined bid for success.

The ASF gave the thumbs up sign to the NSW's regionalisation plans for 1984 last weekend which probably will suspend relegation and save Wilhelmina's State League status.

And Wilhelmina may sign a non-Dutch coach. Some committee believe that the club needs a top outsider as coach, in order to revamp the playing set-up and breath new life into the team.

It was a Chris Taylor penalty which sank Wilhelmina against a far from impressive Sunshine-George Cross at Jubilee Park on Sunday. Wilhelmina's defender Hank Stroes was ruled to have given away the penalty after a strong tackle inside his area. The incident happened with just eight minutes of normal time left and the combine was able to snatch the points.

Jubilee Park was very heavy and the combine made the mistake of trying to play the ball far too short on the muddy surface. Wilhelmina had its chances but just couldn't capitalise.

Alan Costello did well late in the first half to save from a Brian Thom shot and Ken Stewart and Neil Garvey missed scoring opportunities in the second half.

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DOVETON v ALBION: 3 Costello (A); 2 Hennessy (A); 1 C. D'Amato (C).

POLONA v HELLAS: 3 Agius (H); 2 Postecoglou (F).

AJAX v CROYDON: 3 Dobson (C) 2 Marley (C); 1 Brown (C).

BOX HILL v MORWELL: 3 Young (M); 2 Miranda (BH); 1 McGuinness (M).

CROATIA v FAWKNER: 3 Biskic (C); 2 Brogan (C); 1 Cummings (C).

W.I.L.E.M.I.N.A.V.S.G.CROSS: 3 Bain (SGC); 2 Lestevic (SGC).

NORTHCOTE v JUVENTUS: 3 Hird (J); 2 Incantalo (J); 1 Moore (N).

PROGRESSIVE VOTES:

33 — Moore (Northcote); 27 — Cummings (Croatia);

21 — Kalafatis (Hellas); 20 — Tuffield (Fawkner);

19 — Peter Lewis (Ajax); 16 — Mila (Polonia).

LEADING SCORERS:

23 — Paul Lewis (Ajax); 17 — Cummings (Croatia);

16 — Brogan (Croatia); 15 — Smallman (Ajax);

12 — McGuinness (Morwell).

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Wilhelmina.....	4	2	17	20	56	10
Hellas.....	1	5	17	22	59	7

Holland Park star injured

Enver Yaha, 24, star of Victorian club Holland Park, was seriously injured on his way to the game on Saturday.

He was involved in a traffic accident and admitted to Royal Melbourne Hospital in a coma.

Yaha is married and has two young sons.

HUGHES WINS IT

BOX HILL 1 (Hughes 74th)
MORELL FALCONS 0 at Wembley Park, Sunday.

BOX HILL: McInlay 6 - 1, Roothouse 7, Lawler 7, Brownlie 7, A. Roothouse 7 - Tolmie 6, Miranda 8, Hughes 7 - Azzopardi 7, Verschelde 7, Priestley 6. Coach: Bill Morell.

MORELL FALCONS: Preziosi 7 - Bingham 7, Young 9, Higham 7, Train 7 - Irvine 6, MacLean 7, O'Callaghan 6 - Mitten 7, Evans 6 (Lockey 66th), McGuinness 8. Coach: Tony Boggs.

Box Hill could have made certain of this win inside the opening 10 minutes. Richard Miranda had a free header from a 4th minute corner but headed over; Dave Azzopardi's shot almost beat Romeo Preziosi a few minutes later; then a Donovan Lawler long ball in the 10th minute was headed on by Peter Verschelde, sending Azzopardi clear but Preziosi dapped Azzopardi's try just wide.

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Belmont boys on tour



The Belmont High School under 14's, who are playing four games this week against Melbourne schools. The Belmont boys played against a South Melbourne Hellas select on Monday night. Today (Wednesday) Belmont plays an eastern independent schools select at Kingswood College at 1.30 pm. Tomorrow, Belmont plays Kingswood College at Kingswood College, also at 1.30 pm, and on Friday, Belmont plays Aquinas College at Aquinas, kick off at 1.30 pm.

The Belmont boys, pictured above, are: Back row: Jamie Parkes, Allan Gibson, Stephen Pack. Middle: Andrew Greenwood, Mark Hutchison, David Carpenter, Peter Small, Darren Muir, Michael Guest, Brett Smythe. Front: Brett Bowyer, Glen Kaiser (captain), Scott Considine, Ken Hastie (coach); Shane Verschelde, Troy Griggs, Gary Ellis. Missing: Wayne Parkes (manager).

Nothing at stake

NORTHCOTE CITY 0 JUVENTUS 2 (Zinni 49th, Rogers 55th) at John Cain Reserve, on Sunday.

NORTHCOTE CITY: Giannopoulos 7 - Milos 5 (Cressey 77th), Bozikas 6, Moore 7, Katsakidis 6 - Wright 6, Wilson 6, Quigley 6 - Tsetsos 5 (Patiotis 77th), Culine 6, Constantinos 6. Coach: Tony Vraine.

JUVENTUS: Clayton 6 - G. Bannon 6, Rogers 7, Drinckoz 7, Hird 7 - Swinscoe 6 (P. Bannon 77th), Lonsdale 6, McLean 7, Cullen 6, Zinni 7. Coach: John Margaritis.

Juventus started with Pat

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Frank Schutze Shield, Sunday

On Sunday, September 11, five goals, Peter Kyriaris, 11, Dino Perretti, 13, Allan Randle, 10 (Lyndale United); Robert Lamovski, 9, Ivan Sango, 9, Mendo Gajic, 9, Daniel Matos, 9, Marko Hit, 14, (Box Hill); Michael Balton, four goals, Damian West, four goals, Jan Schiffo (Skye Rovers); Rodney Newnham, 8, Kerry Bright, 8, Andrew Smith, Gent, Mauro Nobilio, 7, (Edgar's Edge); John Evans, 11, four goals, Peter Vitezatos (Keen Park); Marjan Antoski, four goals, Saso Bevcinval, four goals, Damjan Matos, 4 (Portsea); Emanon Curran, four goals, Andrew Christian (Doverton); Ben Pushtet, five goals, Ron Paneth (Macbeth Hawks); Greg Stevens, 5, five goals, Jason Edwards, 4, four goals, Tim Iselli, 8, six goals, Craig Scott, 6, four goals, Tony Florello, 7, Shayne Collette, 9, six years, Lucas Mathews, 6, four goals, Marco La Greca, 6, four goals, Mark Parsons, 8, Stephen Shanahan, 14, Geoff Bell, 14 (Mitcham United); Alex Watson (Blackburn North Metros); Gavin Howard, 14 (JSC Lion-Giants); Damon Addis, 14 (JSC Lion-Giants); Mark Guardi, five goals, Daniel Unterhauser, Craig Stevenson, Steve Brown, four goals, David Morgan, Darren Beddoe, Daniel Murphy, Christopher Hayden, 11, Mattew Terrill, four goals, Alan Nichols (Moorabbin); Spencer Niblett, 10, (Hamlyn Rangers); D. Amico, 13, (Vermont); Clinton, 10, (Keyborough); Sam McMillan, Steve Davie, 8, four goals, Andrew Docherty (Karingal United).

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Croatia cruises, Brogan bags hat-trick

MELBOURNE CROATIA 6
(Brogan 11th, 43rd, 75th, Biskic 20th, 32nd, Cumming 33rd) **FAWKNER 1** (Cozzella 51st) at Olympic Park No. 1, Sunday.

Croatia in the hunt for the championship, it probably has ended Fawkner's top four chances.

Croatia first struck after 11 minutes when Tommy Cumming and Steve Gojevic combined down the left. Gojevic played the ball inside to Brogan who hammered it past his keeper like Blashy, he was unable to stop Cozzella's shot going into goal.

Bruno Cozzella pulled a goal back in the 51st minute with a shot which Peter Blashy got a touch to but couldn't stop. Blashy had come well off his line and although George Hannah had dropped in behind his keeper like Blashy, he was unable to stop Cozzella's shot going into goal.

Cumming should have put Croatia further ahead in the 62nd minute. Biskic played the ball to Cumming on the right and as Terzini came out of goal, the little Croatia striker slipped the ball just wide of the near post.

But Brogan didn't miss in the 75th minute. Gojevic played the ball to Cumming on the left. Cumming beat Cesare Fattore who squared to Brogan who avoided a tackle then pushed the ball past Terzini to make it 6-1.

The rout continued two minutes before the interval. Jozo Antolovic played a fine through ball for Brogan who

while the result keeps



Fawkner goalie
Rob Terzini

While the result keeps

Karac king, Dinamo in State League?

St Albans Dinamo will make a determined bid for inclusion in the 1984 State League division Two clinching promotion from Metro Division Two last weekend with a resounding 5-1 victory over Thomastown.

With Melbourne Croatia almost certain to be included in the NSL next year, it's likely that the VSF bosses will want another good crowd pulling Croatian club in State League and Dinamo looks as an outstanding candidate.

Player-coach Bill Vojtek, who made 43 appearances for Australia, 31 in full internationals, has assembled a very strong squad at Dinamo. Ivan Istuk, Ned Batinovic, Danny Deciz and Vojtek all have had State League experience and young strikers John Bruno, plucked by Vojtek from Green Gully Ajax, is one of the most exciting prospects in Metro ranks.

I'm confident that if we get into State League, we will do particularly well," said Vojtek.

Greek rivals South Oakleigh and Caulfield City, fighting out the Metro Third Division championship after both clinching promotion, had mixed fortunes on Saturday.

While Caulfield was convincingly beating South Melbourne Mordialloc 4-0, South Oakleigh dominated the game and opened the scoring through Kontokostas in the first half. Two minutes after the interval, Alan Quin tucked away a fine Stevie Ciric goal and the remainder of the game Karac kept in Oakleigh's way.

Two minutes later keeper Giannopoulos did well to save a fierce shot by Incantalo. Two more minutes and Rogers put Juventus further in front by pushing the ball in from an Incantalo corner kick.

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PROVISIONAL DIVISION ONE

MONASH UNI 1 (Quang 20th) CHELSEA 2 (Bracilic 65th)

MONASH UNI: G. Timms, P. Walker, J. Kavanagh, P. George, P. Smeeton, N. Sinclair, C. Muller, M. King (sub, M. MacPherson 75th), L. Yong, N. Quang, S. Van Der Westhuizen.

CHELSEA: S. McLean, L. Balmain, G. Balmain, J. Gooch, S. Balmain, J. Mitten, M. Haupt, L. Perini, M. Dimpire, M. McAleney, F. Flanagan.

PROVISIONAL DIVISION TWO

ST ALBANS DINAMO 5 (Bruno 2, Vojtek penalty, Dezoic, Batovic) **THOMASTOWN 1 (Manent)**

ST ALBANS DINAMO: Lucock, Nobilio, Brinkworth, Pavlakowski, Manent, Jelacic, Vojtek, Perretta, Dezoic, Batovic, Bruno, Dezoic, Best players: Bruno, Nobilio, Dezoic, Batovic.

THOMASTOWN: S. McLean, L. Balmain, G. Balmain, J. Gooch, S. Balmain, J. Mitten, M. Haupt, L. Perini, M. Dimpire, M. McAleney, F. Flanagan.

PROVISIONAL DIVISION THREE

MORNINGTON 3 (Congdon 75th)

MORNINGTON: K. O'Hara, Pye, Styrup, Adams, Mitchell, Thorneon, Golby, Stewart, Congdon, Camm, Smart, Curcija.

ELTHAM: Graham, Aldearan, Raynes, M. Circle, McIntosh, Lewis, Harmer, P. Circle (Hazard 3 min.), Ciricula, Bringe, Vanderveldt. (Norton 75th).

Eltham scored three goals in the first 30 minutes and put themselves in front of Eltham's reach. Eltham's pre-mature plans were thrown out of gear when they lost Peter Ciric after only three minutes, with a deep cut to his ankle which required 10 stitches.

Mornington were quicker to the ball and allowed the visitors little room to show their worth. Goals came in the 16th, 22nd and 27th minutes, Eltham pulled one back in the 31st minute and worked their way mixed fortunes on Saturday.

While Caulfield continued to improve, though South Melbourne's Curic was outstanding and created many chances but a lack of coolness in front of goal was their downfall. It was not until the 2nd minute of injury time that they got their second and it was fitting that it was scored by Ciricula.

Chelsea fought desperately to take a precious point at Monash Uni in an entertaining match.

The Uni side, in a safe position, several times up the ladder, began strongly and moved ahead when Quang unleashed a blistering shot in the 20th minute. Soon after, Guppy Yong should have made it 2-0 when

he hit the post from close range.

The second half began with both sides creating chances but failing to capitalize.

Twenty minutes in Chelsea gained a penalty. Monash keeper Timms saved McCormick's spot kick, but Brascia swooped in the rebound.

The last few minutes saw Chelsea searching desperately for the winner, but Timms in the Monash goal held them out brilliantly.

LANGWARRIN 0 BULLENG-EN-VENETI 3 (D. Augerino 12th, S. Bastasin 18th, L. Boarotto 23rd).

BULLENG-EN-VENETI: L. Boarotto, S. E. P. Pintor, M. Bonin, P. E. Pintor, 7, M. Bonin, 7, P. Cassai 6 (W. Fierro), S. Zecchin 6, D. Augerino 6, F. Bartolari 6, D. Sutherland 6, L. Boarotto 6, S. Bastasin 6.

Bulleen-Veneto continued its run of good soccer by easily disposing of Langwarrin 3-0 at the weekend.

Bulleen-Veneto attacked from the onset and hit the lead after 12 minutes through Augerino. Six minutes later, Bastasin made it 2-0. Leading scorer Boarotto returned back to the scorers' sheet after two weeks suspension and scored in the 23rd minute.

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Soccer around the world

ZICO A HIT, HUNGARY GOES PRO

**From JIM COOK
our European
correspondent**

Zico, the Brazilian World Cup star, lost no time making a big impression on his new fans with unfashionable Italian club Udinese after his \$5 million transfer from Flamengo.

On his debut in a pre-season friendly, the Brazilian scored a brilliant individual goal in a 3-1 victory over the Yugoslav club, Hajduk Split. Then he followed up by inspiring Udinese's victory in a four-team tournament hastily put together to take advantage of the club's new attraction.

In the semi-finals Udinese beat Real Madrid 2-1 thanks to second-half goals from Zico and Franco Causio, after Madrid had led at half-time thanks to an effort from Carlos Santillana.

In the final Udinese beat Zico's fellow Brazilians, of Vasco da Gama, easily by 3-0. In the third-place match, Madrid fielding a team made up mostly of reserves, lost 2-1 to Eintracht Frankfurt.

In the wake of one of the most long-drawn-out domestic match-fixing sagas, Hungarian football is poised to go professional.

In the past, clubs not only in Hungary but throughout the Eastern bloc (with the exception in recent years of Yugoslavia), have been funded by parent sports organisations, by factories, the military and government subsidy.

From January 1, 1984, football clubs will be hived off from other sports sections in their parent organisations and will have to stand or fall by their own financial acumen.

The players will be on an average basic monthly pay packet of 5,250 forints (about \$150), so far between five and eight full-time club employees.

The Soviet Union has joined France, Italy, West Germany, Austria, England, Greece and Yugoslavia in their bids to stage the 1990 World Cup finals.

The much-changed Argentinian national team is likely to get another massive shake-up after its recent defeat by Paraguay.

Norwich City defender Steve Walford, formerly with Arsenal, has joined West Ham for \$320,000. The Canaries have also sold Scottish striker Ross Jack, ex-Everton, to Lincoln City.

Tommy Langley's transfer from Crystal Palace to AEK Athens' is up in the air. Eventually AEK signed a Bulgarian striker as well as Trevor Rose, ex-Everton, and only two foreigners are permitted in each Greek side. But Palace aren't worried. They have already got Langley's fee paid from AEK.

Sixty-four sold all 72 of their private boxes in their new \$8 million stand for an average of \$20,000.

Jock Wallace made good use of the near \$200,000 he received from Celtic for 19-year-old striker Brian McClair. The Motherwell boss bought Andy Ritchie, the long-serving Morton striker, for less than \$100,000 and paid out another \$50,000 for ex-Queens Park striker Jim Gillespie from Belgian club Ghent.

Sporting Lisbon of Portugal sacked their new goalkeeper only two days after signing him. Valeskander Stojanovic, recruited from Red Star Belgrade, was sent home to Yugoslavia after a bust-up with Sporting officials who claim the goalie resented their disciplinary code.

Holland's full back Hugo Hogenkamp, the former AZ67 player whose projected move to Canadian club Edmonton Eagles turned sour, has now signed a two-year contract with Wacker Innsbruck.

ALL TIME BUNDESLIGA CLUB TOTALS

(Seasons in Bundesliga after club name)

	HOME						AWAY						TOTAL						Pts		
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1.FC Köln (20)	338	221	65	50	849	568	507	338	95	103	138	490	568	293	672	316	168	188	1330	962	800
Bayern München (18)	308	223	60	33	871	302	496	308	107	84	115	500	516	298	612	330	134	148	1371	816	704
Hamburger SV (20)	338	203	73	54	796	372	491	338	84	99	153	478	624	287	672	299	172	207	1244	1001	758
Borussia M'gladbach (18)	308	189	70	47	792	368	448	308	98	87	120	478	500	285	612	288	157	167	1270	671	733
Eintracht Frankfurt (20)	338	218	66	52	823	408	502	338	74	75	187	431	669	223	672	292	141	238	1167	1075	725
1.FC Kaiserslautern (20)	338	211	75	50	700	354	497	338	54	85	197	416	770	193	672	265	161	247	1116	1124	697
Werder Bremen (19)	319	161	71	55	647	380	447	319	65	70	184	377	653	200	638	248	151	239	1024	1033	647
VfB Stuttgart (18)	302	194	55	67	874	437	435	302	64	81	157	392	604	209	604	254	131	214	1068	981	644
FC Schalke 04 (19)	319	177	79	67	810	373	425	319	62	81	191	382	662	194	638	231	141	254	72	1041	610
MSV Duisburg (19)	319	151	67	56	584	368	404	319	50	74	185	370	655	194	638	216	170	265	884	1022	602
Eintracht Braunschweig (18)	302	161	60	58	518	289	411	302	60	79	173	297	654	179	604	214	162	248	815	948	599
Borussia Dortmund (18)	268	158	65	43	637	339	377	268	57	59	152	354	588	210	502	210	124	199	694	927	550
Hertha BSC Berlin (15)	251	148	53	43	481	282	354	251	37	87	120	278	531	141	442	155	21	166	721	756	431
Fortuna Düsseldorf (13)	221	114	62	45	453	297	260	221	21	59	121	206	559	141	409	125	161	166	558	657	378
VfR Bochum (12)	260	163	67	52	570	355	269	204	26	55	120	422	507	107	332	123	80	129	548	521	328
Hannover 96 (10)	188	91	37	38	330	197	219	188	32	43	93	209	334	107	376	115	94	161	455	612	324
1.FC Nürnberg (10)	185	83	52	40	356	233	228	185	22	42	121	189	379	86	332	117	84	131	482	545	318
Karlsruher SC (10)	186	85	47	34	300	204	217	186	32	37	97	182	341	101	332	89	80	163	454	671	258
Rot-Weiss Essen (7)	119	46	43	30	212	198	135	116	17	31	118	167	425	85	238	61	79	94	346	483	201
Kickers Offenbach (6)	102	54	23	22	205	148	131	102	16	23	83	115	232	55	204	70	46	88	320	380	195
Bayer Leverkusen (4)	85	43	20	12	235	93	108	85	12	12	61	80	202	36	170	53	32	83	215	200	142
Rot-Weiss Oberhausen (4)	68	33	21	14	105	72	67	68	8	13	47	80	180	29	136	41	34	61	185	252	116
Alemannia Aachen (3)	51	26	13	12	96	72	65	51	8	8	35	44	128	24	102	34	21	47	140	200	89
Wuppertaler SV (3)	51	20	14	17	93	87	54	51	5	13	33	43	113	23	102	25	27	50	136	200	77
Bayer Uerdingen (3)	51	23	13	15	77	74	59	51	3	8	40	41	135	14	102	28	21	55	118	200	73
1.FC Saarbrücken (3)	49	13	20	16	74	75	46	49	8	6	35	52	122	22	98	21	28	51	126	197	68
Bor. Neunkirchen (3)	49	22	11	16	71	85	56	49	3	7	35	38	138	12	98	25	18	55	109	223	68
SV Darmstadt (2)	34	10	14	10	54	52	30	34	2	8	24	34	89	12	68	12	18	38	88	157	42
Tennie Borussia (2)	34	10	14	10	54	54	30	34	1	6	27	31	106	8	68	11	18	41	85	174	39
Fortuna Köln (1)	17	6	5	1	31	32	18	17	2	3	12	15	47	7	4	8	9	17	46	78	25
Preussen Münster (1)	15	5	4	6	21	23	14	15	2	5	8	13	29	9	30	7	9	14	34	52	23
FC St Pauli (1)	17	5	5	7	28	23	15	17	1	1	15	10	53	3	34	6	8	22	44	48	23
Tasmania Berlin (1)	17	2	3	12	8	46	7	17	0	1	16	7	82	1	34	2	4	28	15	108	8

Twenty years ago West German football turned the most significant corner.

It finally abandoned the old regional league system which had restricted West German football to a part-time existence, major clubs meeting only in the grand play-offs at the end of every season.

Now, a new world was to open up in which the West Germans became the dominant force in European football. They had won the World Cup—albeit as a major surprise—in 1954 and finished fourth in Sweden in 1958. In Chile in 1962 they were quarter finalists.

But the writing was on the wall for the old system. The star players were all off to make money in Italy. Tough wing half Horst Szymanski, right winger Albert Brügel, inside forward Helmut Haller, goalpoacher Jürgen Schatz... even powerful defender Gertjan Verbeek, half-back Karl-Heinz Schnellinger.

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• In the European championship... West Germany have been winners twice (1972 and 1980) and

runners-up once (1976—on penalties after drawing the final with Czechoslovakia).

• At club level... Bayern Munich won the Champions' Cup three times, Hamburg won it once and both clubs have been runners-up once, as has Borussia Moenchengladbach. In the Cup-winners' Cup victories have gone to Borussia Moenchengladbach (twice) while it also twice finished runners-up once to fellow Germans Eintracht Frankfurt. Hamburg's 1982 UEFA Cup final defeat placed it alongside Barcelona and Leeds as the only clubs to have suffered defeat in the final of all three European competitions.

That minor upset apart, the Germans can be proud of the Bundesliga revolution.

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LA JUVENTUS AVRA' UNO DEI MIGLIORI CAMPI D'AUSTRALIA. FAWKNER E THOMASTOWN CORRONO AI RIPARI CERCANDO DI FONDERSI

I benefici effetti della regionalizzazione della lega nazionale già cominciano a diventare apparenti.

Come abbiamo fatto notare nel passato, il maggior numero di squadre locali impegnate alla massima divisione nazionale aumenterà l'interesse al vertice, facendo capire alle squadre e ai club che la partecipazione al campionato del calcio locale che ormai il loro futuro è limitato e che l'unica speranza di sopravvivere è quello di mettere assieme le limitate risorse. In campo italiano, dove la proliferazione di club minori aveva raggiunto livelli addirittura ridicoli negli ultimi 5-10 anni, la situazione è ancora più lampante perché il ritorno di partite di campionato fra Juventus e Hellas, JUST, Preston, Jeideberg più la continuazione dei duelli con Croati (e possibilmente Green Gully o George Cross) ad un livello più elevato ovviamente monopolizzando il resto del gruppo pubblico italiano di Melbourne lasciando poche briciole alla ventina di squadre che cercano tifosi e sostegno fra la nostra comunità.

Particolarmente colpito sarebbe stato il Fawkner che si sarebbe così ritrovato a giocare in una State League senza alcun interesse e, ancor peggio per il Thomastown che, specialmente dopo l'annata infelice che sta concludendo avrebbe rischiato di perdere la maggior parte del suo seguito.

I dirigenti di questi due club hanno perciò "letto" giusto la situazione, e se abbiamo contribuito a mandarli agli occhi neri siamo contenti, ed hanno iniziato da qualche tempo dei colloqui tendenti ad una fusione. Lunedì sera i soci dei due società si sono riuniti separatamente per discutere questa possibilità e, non appena qualcosa si potrebbe concludere nelle prossime settimane. Una fusione di due club non è mai cosa facile poiché in effetti si tratta quasi sempre di un "assorbimento" di uno da parte dell'altro, ma

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LA JUVENTUS HATROVATO L'AMERICA A BRUNSWICK

Come avevamo dato notizia la settimana scorsa, martedì ha avuto luogo una prima riunione pubblica promossa dalla Juventus per spiegare nei minimi particolari il grande progetto di campo e sede a Brunswick.

La felice conclusione di queste trattative creerebbe un forte club con grandi mezzi finanziari, un buon numero di tifosi e la possibilità di metterci assieme una squadra di tutto rispetto. A questo si aggiunga il fatto che il comune di Broadmeadows ha da qualche

tempo intenzione di assegnare un grosso appezzamento di terra al Fawkner per costruirvi un campo ed una nuova sede sulla Mahoneys Road, quasi ai confini con la contea di Whittlesea (di cui fa parte Thomastown) e si può avere l'idea di quali possibilità di un unico club Fawkner-Thomastown che potrebbe essere sorretto dai mezzi delle due amministrazioni municipali confinanti.

La mossa darebbe anche maggior forza alla domanda del Fawkner-Thomastown per la partecipazione alla Lega Nazionale, o, in ogni caso, la possibilità di guadagnarsi la promozione l'anno successivo. Più di un anno di permanenza nella minutiaria lega statale sarebbe fatale per il club, e non parliamo del Thomastown che da solo avrebbe nessuna possibilità di sopravvivere ad un livello apprezzabile.

Per il bene ed il buon nome del calcio italiano a Melbourne c'è di augurarsi che questa fusione si farà e che essa sia la prima di tante altre che riducono a 6-7 l'attuale ventina di squadre italiane nella zona metropolitana.

Oltre a Juventus e Fawkner-Thomastown potrebbero sopravvivere il Westhall che sta facendo ottimi cose, e una vasta zona italiana che va da Cheltenham a Springvale e Dandenong; la Triestina che ha un passato glorioso e potrebbe assorbire le piccole squadre che operano nella zona dei sobborghi nord-occidentali (qui però c'è il problema che l'Ascot United è associata con il forte club del San Marco In Lamis che ovviamente ci tiene a mantenere una sezione calcistica); nei sobborghi nord-orientali potrebbe riuscire una squadra che metterebbe assieme i club di Essendon e Footscray City; McLeod ai quali il Bulleen potrebbe fare da vassellifero (ma anche qui c'è l'impenitente dell'aggancio di quest'ultimo con il Veneto Club); nei sobborghi centrali c'è sicuramente poco posto per altre squadre nella zona di maggior influenza della Juventus (che ha peraltro un appello universale fra gli italiani di Melbourne ed è quindi la concorrente numero uno di tutte le presenti e future squadre italiane). Il futuro di East Carlton e East Brunswick è quindi molto difficile anche se quest'ultimo ha una certa assicurazione con l'Australia Club; la cosa migliore da fare per questi due club, e per quelli che non vorranno fare fusioni, è di diventare vivai della Juventus (o del Fawkner-Thomastown a seconda dei gusti); nella zona orientale della città una fusione fra Vermont e Nunawading sarebbe ideale a darebbe al nuovo club una vasta zona di influenza con una numerosa comunità italiana.

Questo nostra panoramica non vuole essere che una rassegna della situazione alla luce di sviluppi recenti sullo scenario calcistico italiano, naturalmente solo un suggerimento di carattere accademico; sta ai club analizzare la situazione individualmente e correre ai ripari prima che sia troppo tardi.

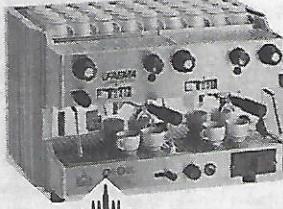
si tratta ne' di uno scioglilingue ne' di un rebus. Chi e' esperto di cose juventine sa infatti anche troppo bene che quando le cose andavano male non c'era mai alcuna mano, ma nemmeno a mettere bastoni fra le ruote di un modo o d'un altro; quando invece le cose cominciavano ad andar bene saltavano fuori persone "interessate" da ogni angolo e le lotte per la supremazia finivano per dilaniare il club. Giusto per fare un esempio, vanno in giro delle voci che un giorno qualcuno vuolebbe comprare una grossa fetta delle azioni della Juventus ed entrare quindi a far parte della direzione del club; il nostro "naso" ci dice che tale offerta potrebbe essere dettata da "grossi interessi" che vedono l'arrivo delle "poker machines". Con la Juventus sicura di poter prenderne la licenza si capisce subito che questo atto generoso in effetti e' un investimento che nulla ha a che vedere con l'amore per il calcio o per il club. A parte gruppi di fanatici, ci sono sempre individui che si convertono improvvisamente alla causa bianconera quando le cose vanno bene; anche da questi ci sara' da guardarsi. Per fortuna non dovrebbbero riapparire vecchie correnti e vecchie beghe in seno al comitato perché tutti i suoi componenti sono molto nuovi nell'ambiente della Juventus e la quasi totalita' entro' in comitato quando le cose andavano male". In ogni caso gli attuali dirigenti (a parte i pochi entusiasti a riempire la sede) non solo non hanno un mandato di altri due anni, quindi tempo sufficiente per portare a buon punto il progetto e poi potranno contare su un tale favore popolare per essere rieletti fino a che lo vorranno. Siamo sicuri che tutto andra' andrà bene, ma e' sempre meglio attenersi alla regola "uomo avvistato mezzo salvato".

A costo di essere taciti per pessimisti, cosa che non ci e' mai successo in cose che riguardano la Juventus, ci sentiamo però di dire di dare un avvertimento ai responsabili del club: alla Juventus le cose sono andate male quando andavano bene! E non

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Back row: Johnstone, Joaquin Cirugeda (team manager), Middle row: R. Wockey, A. Cirugeda, B. Johnstone, C. O'Neill, D. Finocchiaro, S. Lotockys, B. Yousef. Front row: A. Del Rio, A. Rowe, S. Brown, A. Johnstone, C. Adams, G. Lyon, K. Curran.



The Adelaide City Under 10 squad, sponsored by Elders Lonsdale Finance Limited, pictured (From left to right) Mario Pires, Team Manager, Mr Elio De Cesara, Promotions Officer for the Junior Colts, Mr Geoff Hooper, Funds Administration Manager, Elders Lonsdale Finance Limited and Jose Pires Coach.

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